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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement issued September 6, 2007 in connection with the above-referenced patent application, Applicants provisionally elect the claims of Group 1 (claims 23-26, 28-32 and 127) with traverse. Applicants also elect SEQ ID NO: 4.

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